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SUBJECT: NEW CHIEF, DEFENSE LIAISON GROUP, INDONESIA

REF: STATE 017036

1. THERE IS VERY LITTLE IN BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION SUPPLIED ON COLONEL GRILLS (REFTEL) THAT MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR ONE AT THIS DISTANCE, LET ALONE ONE AS DISTRACTED AS I AM AT THIS POINT, TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL JUDGMENT ON HIS SUITABILITY, OR OTHERWISE, FOR CHIEF DLG JAKARTA.

2. THE REQUIREMENTS GO WELL BEYOND THE WELL CHARTERED DEPTHS OF U.S. MILITARY EXPERIENCE AND SUCCESS. THEY INVOLVE TWO IMPORTANT AREAS (A) PERSONAL QUALITIES AND POLITICAL SENSITIVITY THAT WILL ENABLE HIM TO WORK WITH AND SECURE COOPERATION FROM INDONESIANS (B) ABILITY TO RISE ABOVE CONTRADICTIONS OF "TERMS OF REFERENCE" AND WORK AS FULL MEMBER AMBASSADOR'S STAFF.

3. IF IT HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN DONE I WOULD SUGGEST THAT AMBASSADOR NEWSOM AND OTHERS WHO WILL BE WORKING ON INDONESIA INTERVIEW COLONEL GRILLS WITH VIEW TO ASCERTAINING, TO EXTENT THIS IS POSSIBLE, WHETHER HIS PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE AND GENERAL OUTLOOK AND SENSITIVITY

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PROMISE SUCCESS IN DEVELOPMENT HIS PERSONAL RELATION-

SHIPS WITH INDONESIANS, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN MILITARY.
I WOULD ALSO SUGGEST, IF IT HAS NOT BEEN DONE, THAT
CINCPAC BE QUERIED FOR CLEARANCE.
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